

REMARKS

Claims 1-42 are issued and are pending in this reissue application. Claims 43-57 are being added to the reissue application by this Preliminary Amendment. No new matter has been added.

Support for new Claim 43 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 2, lines 9-21; column 4, lines 21-44; column 5, line 15 through column 6, line 61; column 7, lines 1 through column 8, line 6 and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 44 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 2, lines 9-64.

Support for new Claim 45 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 4, lines 4-20.

Support for new Claim 46 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 4, lines 59 through column 8, lines 57 and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 47 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 1, lines 29-45; column 3, lines 20-39; and column 5, line 62 through column 7, line 8.

Support for new Claim 48 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 6, line 40 through column 8, line 37; column 9, lines 15-42 and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 49 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 3, line 40 through column 4, line 3 and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 50 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 7, line 23 through column 8, line 33, and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 51 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 5, line 62 through column 8, line 33, and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 52 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 5, line 61 through column 9, line 14 and the Figure.

Support for new Claim 53 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 3, line 20 through column 4, line 45.

Support for new Claim 54 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 4, lines 4-20.

Support for new Claim 55 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 4, lines 4-20.

Support for new Claim 56 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 5, line 62 through column 8, line 33, and the Figure.

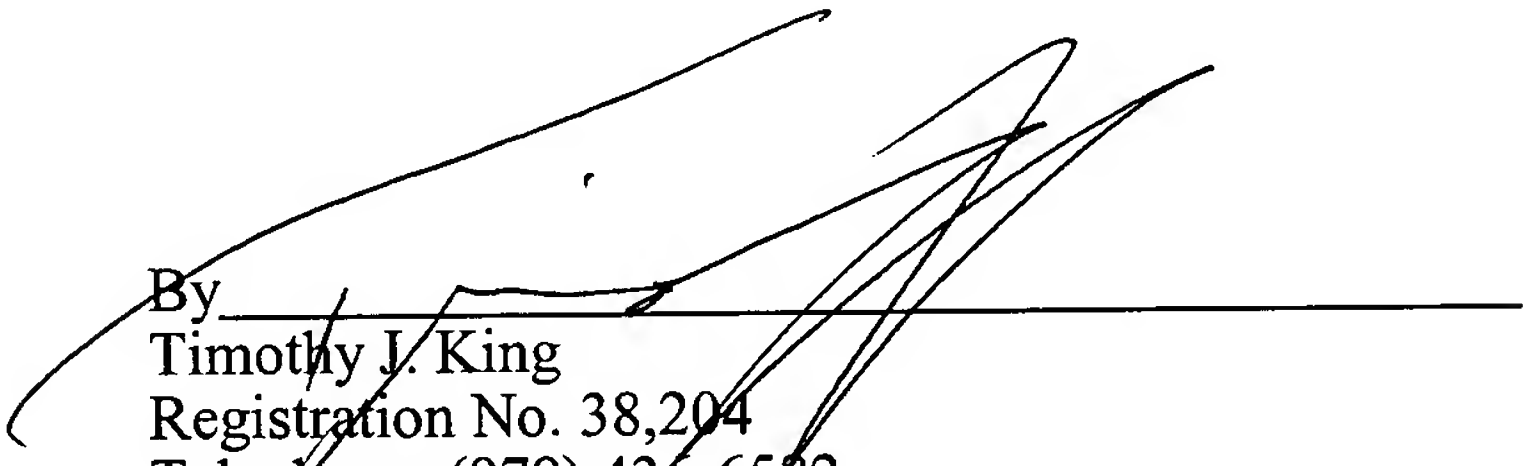
Support for new Claim 57 is found throughout the specification, for example, in column 5, line 62 through column 8, line 33, and the Figure.

Applicants have copied Claims 1-15 of U.S. Patent No. 6,471,747, issued October 29, 2002.

CONCLUSION

In view of the above amendments and remarks, it is believed that all claims are in condition for allowance, and it is respectfully requested that the application be passed to issue. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned.

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